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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Sir:

This is in response to the June 15, 2005 final Office Action in the above-identified application. Applicants submit concurrently herewith a Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (a)(3) to extend the time for filing this reply for three months, up to and including December 15, 2005. Accordingly, this reply is timely filed.

Kindly amend the application as follows:

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Response dated December 13, 2005  
Reply to Office Action of June 15, 2005

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the Listing of Claims that  
begins on page 3 of this paper.

REMARKS begin on page 12 of this paper.